

GIBSON MADE BISHOP.

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seats. The resolution offered by Mr. Gravatt at the close of the morning session, relative to the consecration of churches, made against the resolution of the office of Bishop-Coadjutor was taken up, and the proposition was defeated by a vote of 24 yeas to 34 noes.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael then asked the privilege of introducing a resolution requiring any charges to be made by him and submitted by competent and proper witnesses. He stated that it was not the fair or the just thing to drag a man's name before the world through the medium of a body in which he would have no chance to vindicate or exonerate himself. After having said this, Dr. Carmichael withdrew his motion.

The council then, on motion of Rev. Washington Nelson, spent a few minutes in silent prayer. When this was over the Bishop declared nominations to be in order.

DAME, GIBSON, AND LLOYD.
Rev. Washington Nelson was soon on his feet, and placed in nomination Rev. William M. Dame, rector of the Episcopal church, Baltimore. In eulogizing Dr. Dame's character and work, Mr. Nelson said he was a man of men, a generous man, a strong man. He is a man suited for this diocese, because of his long and successful career in the dioceses of humanity. He is a Virginian and a Virginia churchman, devoted to all the principles of the Church of Virginia.

Rev. Landon R. Mason, in a very strong and potent manner, placed Rev. Robert A. Gibson, rector of the Episcopal church, in nomination. He read a most commendatory letter from Bishop Peterkin, of West Virginia, relative to Dr. Gibson.

The next minister nominated was Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, of Norfolk, who was presented by Rev. J. J. Clifton. Mr. Lloyd was a proper man for the office, both physically and mentally. He said Rev. Mr. Lloyd had been in the ministry seventeen years, and had been eminently successful in every phase of his work. Dr. Lloyd is a man of a prolonged and successful career. He is a man of a robust and physical structure, and said he took great pleasure in presenting to the council the name of Rev. A. S. Lloyd. The nomination was seconded by Rev. J. J. Clifton.

DR. McKIM, OF WASHINGTON.
The next man nominated was Rev. Dr. R. H. McKim, of Washington, who was presented by Rev. J. J. Clifton. Rev. Dr. McKim was a man of great moral courage, one who had borne all the principles of the Church. Dr. McKim, he said, was a man of discretion and sound judgment, of most attractive and lovable manners, and of marked ability as a preacher.

The nomination of Dr. McKim was seconded by Rev. Dr. Carl E. Grammer, who also spoke in highest terms of Dr. McKim. Dr. McKim was a man of great moral courage, one who had borne all the principles of the Church.

Rev. Mr. Ware, of Ashland, spoke briefly of the qualifications of Rev. Dr. Gibson for the office of Bishop-Coadjutor. He said Dr. Gibson was regarded as one of the most powerful and effective pulpits in the city of Richmond.

DR. DAME AND NIKIM.

Rev. Mr. Lee, of Charlottesville, seconded the nomination of Dr. Dame, referring especially to his fine qualities as a preacher and evangelist. Mr. Lee was followed in his remarks by Rev. Dr. Crawford, of the Theological Seminary, who spoke in highest terms of Dr. Dame. Dr. Dame was a well-rounded, robust man in mind and body. He was a brave Confederate soldier, now but 55 years of age, an untiring worker in the cause of his Master. Dr. McKim, said Dr. Crawford, "is just the man we need to lead the forces of the Church and to carry on the work of the Church, physically, and every other way. Dr. McKim is qualified for this office. As to his inclination to work, I will say that I don't believe there is a lazier body in his body."

Dr. McKim's nomination was also seconded by Rev. Mr. Stickney, of Monumental church, who spoke of his personal acquaintance with the great work done in the city of Washington by Dr. McKim.

THE BALLOTING BEGINS.

The council then began balloting for a Bishop-Coadjutor, and while the tellers were counting the votes, on motion of Bishop Penick, Mr. Alfred C. Neely was heard in behalf of the Council for the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, and for aged and infirm clergymen who are dependent. Mr. Neely made a strong appeal to the ministers present to stir up the interest of their people in this behalf.

The tellers then reported the result of the first ballot as follows: Total yeas, 32; noes, 34. Dr. Dame, 17; Dr. McKim, 17; Rev. A. S. Lloyd, 3; Dr. John K. Mason, 3; Rev. Dr. Beverley D. Tucker, 1; Rev. J. J. Gravatt, 1. Necessary to a choice, 31.

APPRECIATE THEIR FRATERNAL WORDS.

During the taking of the second ballot, Rev. Dr. Lee, of Charlottesville, following, which was unanimously adopted: Whereas, our brethren in the Diocese of Southern Virginia have sent words of loving sympathy to us in our great sorrow, caused by the death of our beloved Bishop Newton; therefore

Resolved, 1. That we accept gratefully this kindly expression, and that the same be spread upon our minutes.

2. That our secretary be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the secretary of the Council of Southern Virginia.

Mr. Nash nominated Rev. H. B. Lee, rector of the Episcopal church, as a candidate for the office of Bishop-Coadjutor. He was recommended as suitable for election to a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Female Institute. This vacancy is filled by the Board of Trustees of the school. The council adopted Mr. Nash's motion.

ORDER OF ELECTION.

Rev. J. Y. Downman, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, then offered the following amendment to the organic law of the Church:

"The election of a Bishop shall be made in the council in the following order: The council shall nominate and appoint by ballot some clergymen, qualified for that office, and the voters of a majority shall constitute a choice, unless a vote by order be called for, when, pursuant to Article IV, a majority of each order shall be necessary for a choice."

The former resolution of the council, relative to the election of a Bishop, was amended and the matter was referred to a special committee, composed of Revs. J. Y. Downman, L. R. Mason, and B. M. Randolph, and Messrs. Joseph Bryan, B. B. Munford, and James C. Lamb.

James Lamb presented the following resolution: That the salary of the Bishop-Coadjutor be, and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of \$3,000 for each year, to be paid out of the contingent fund, as heretofore; such rent to begin at the time that the Bishop-Coadjutor is consecrated.

GIBSON IN THE LEAD.

The second ballot was then announced as follows: Total yeas, 62; noes, 22. Dr. Dame, 32; Dr. McKim, 21; Rev. A. S. Lloyd, 6; Mason, 4; R. A. Goodwin, 1; Everard Meade, 1.

At this point in the proceedings Rev. R. C. Goodwin made a nominating

speech in favor of Rev. Dr. John K. Mason, of Loudoun, formerly rector of St. James church, of this city. Dr. Mason's nomination was earnestly and eloquently seconded by Revs. James Grammer, R. A. Goodwin, and W. C. Latane.

At this point the third ballot was announced, indicating a most pronounced gain for Rev. Dr. McKim. The result was as follows: Total number of votes, 61; necessary to a choice, 31-R. A. Goodwin, 1; Lloyd, 3; Dame, 3; Mason, 12; Gibson, 24; McKim, 12.

After a long pause, the fourth ballot was taken, and announced as follows: Total number of votes, 61; necessary to a choice, 31-Mason, 14; McKim, 3; Gibson, 28; Dame, 3; Lloyd, 1.

Resolutions of thanks were then offered by Rev. Mr. Wallace, to the rector and vestry of St. James church, the ladies and all others who took part in the entertainment of the delegates, and were unanimously adopted.

CHARGES AGAINST DR. GIBSON.

At this point in the proceedings, just before the council took the fifth and last ballot, Rev. James Grammer arose and said that at the council which elected Bishop Newton, one of those before the council, Rev. Dr. Gibson, of Cincinnati, was then placed in nomination, and a member of the body had made certain statements, the effect of which was that Dr. Gibson was a broad churchman. The speaker thought it should be known what the Bishop-elect, and the credentials of the Bishop-elect, had ever been disproved or withdrawn.

Rev. Harry B. Lee, who made the statement referred to in the council in 1891, when Dr. Newton was elected Assistant Bishop, arose in reply to Dr. Grammer and said that he had wanted the members of the council to understand exactly how he stood with regard to Dr. Gibson. "He is my warm, personal friend," declared Mr. Lee, "and I love him and admire him just as much as you do. He is a man of a high character, and out of it. But from certain statements and facts which came to me, I was not satisfied that he was sound in the faith of our Church, and I made the statement which I did make to the council. It is only just to myself to say this. If this council desires me so to do, I will state what has prompted me to make the statements which I have made, and I have never made any charges against Dr. Gibson, and I say it now. I am prepared to give this council what I know and have heard. I do not desire to do so, and may God grant that I should be within the Providence of God for him to be made Bishop Coadjutor of this diocese, no one in the diocese will give him more loyal, loving, faithful support than I will."

At this point, Mr. Lee took the seat, Professor Grammer, of the seminary, said that the council had perfect confidence in the integrity and intentions of Mr. Lee, and that he should not be called upon to vindicate his statements. Judge Wright said, with some force, that he had seen a letter from Dr. Gibson, denying in toto the charges that had been made against him, and that as a member of a council, he had fully investigated them and found them to be groundless. He asserted that Dr. Gibson was an orthodox, or more so, than himself, or any other man in the Diocese of Virginia.

ELECTION ON FIFTH BALLOT.

After some further discussion, the council went into the fifth ballot, which was the last. Dr. Gibson receiving more than a sufficient number of votes to nominate him. The result followed: Total yeas, 61; necessary to a choice, 31-Mason, 16; McKim, 7; Gibson, 25; Dame, 1; Lloyd, 2.

INQUIRY AS TO THE CHARGES.

The Bishop announced to the laity that Rev. Dr. Gibson had been nominated Bishop-Coadjutor of the diocese, and that the council was electing the Bishop-elect, and the laity delegates, and will be forwarded to the Bishop-elect.

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RALEIGH'S BUDGET.

NEWS NOTES CAUGHT AT NORTH CAROLINA'S CAPITAL.

Requisition for Military Supplies—State Aid to Education—The Fight Will Go On—The Chicken Trade—Personal and General.

RALEIGH, N. C., June 30.—(Special.) A letter from State-Geologist Joseph A. Holmes says he is now in California. He will make a short stop in Arizona on his way to Denver.

The United States Marshall's office of the Western District was to-day removed from Statesville to Greensboro.

The State is making requisition on the War Department for supplies for the 18th and 19th regiments of colored troops. Among these will be dark-blue flannel shirts for the entire state guard. Practically all the supplies are for service wear. Of full-dress there is a supply. The inspections are to be made in the service dress and in heavy marching order.

The new keeper of the Capitol is subjecting himself, and of course the new administration to public censure, for the wholesale mutilation of trees in the Capitol Square, which is now in progress, such ruthless cutting was never before seen here. No attention is paid to the habits of trees; all are lopped alike.

Rev. John E. White, of the Baptist State Sunday-School Board, says that at the association this year the old question of opposition to higher education by the State will come up again. He says this will be done first, because the Baptists want to do it; and secondly, because it is as they consider it in self-defense, to protect their own schools. He says there are now seventy-eight Baptist schools, which are "feeders" to Wake Forest College.

Dr. M. M. Orr, who was Charlotte's oldest physician, is dead.

The intensely hot and moist weather is very trying to the grape crop, as it is apt to produce rot.

DOCKERY WILL GET IT.

It is now settled that Henry C. Dockery is to be United States District Attorney for the 7th and 8th judicial districts. He is a native of North Carolina, and is a member of the United States District Attorney. The question is who will get the latter place, the pay of which is \$4,000.

Night before last there were slight earthquake shocks at many places west of Raleigh.

The Secretary of State granted a charter to the Salisbury Knitting-Mills, the incorporators being Theodore Baerbaum, W. L. Klutz, S. H. Wilson, Thomas R. Knott, J. L. McCubbin, Lee S. Overman, and T. C. Lilly.

The Commissioner of Agriculture to-day accepted the following list of farmers' institutes to be held by Dr. D. Reid Parker this month: Guilford College, in Guilford county, 7th and 8th; East Salem, 9th and 10th; East Hend, Yadkin, 12th and 13th; Statesville, 14th and 15th; Salisbury, 16th and 17th; Concord, 18th and 19th; Charlotte, 20th and 21st.

The Railway Commission is in session. It has heard testimony from the representatives of the Atlantic Coast Line, the Seaboard Air-Line railway at Gaston. This will leave Gaston about three-fourths of a mile from the road. Two delegates from the Seaboard are now in the city, the other representing this change. Messrs. McElroy, Whisnant, and Moncreur, and Attorneys Day and MacRae appeared for the railway. Thomas W. Mason was among those present.

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